

2018

Date	Institution	Incident Details	Location
1/26/2018	Lunenburg CC	The facility reported that transportation staff observed what appeared to be a drone flying over its towers, sally port, recreation yards, and special housing unit. All offender movement was stopped and a search of all affected areas was conducted. No contraband items were found in these areas. The local sheriff's department was notified of the incident and correctional staff also searched exterior areas of the facility. The facility returned to normal operations at 9:47 AM.	Towers, Sally Port, Rec Yards, SHU
3/14/2018	Patrick Henry CU #28	The facility reported that staff observed what appeared to be drone flying near the ballpark area of the facility. All offender movement has been suspended while a search of the area is conducted.	Ballpark
3/23/2018	Lunenburg CC	The facility reported that its perimeter patrol officer reported spotting what appeared to be a drone flying along the tree line on the west side of the facility. The drone did not enter the secure perimeter. As a precaution, staff conducted a check of the area on the west side of the facility. No contraband was found.	West Side of Facility
5/8/2018	Marion CTC	A drone was observed flying over the yard area of the facility. A search was conducted of the surrounding area was conducted. No suspicious activity was found.	Yard Area
8/25/2018	Deep Meadow CC	A drone was seen by two officers flying over the parking lot. The drone was not seen flying over the secured perimeter but only the parking lot before flying out of sight. The parking lot will be searched.	Parking Lot
9/3/2018	Nottoway CC	Officers observed a low flying drone hovering over the facility and moving in the direction of Nottoway WC. A search was conducted in the area of the drone's flight path. No contraband was found.	Above Nottoway WC
9/3/2018	Nottoway CC	Tower 3 Security reported spotting six (6) drones flying over the facility from different directions at the same time. Other staff from various locations also observed the drones. Nottoway Sheriff's Department was notified and later reported possible drones flying in the area, but did not locate or make contact with any operators. Scheduled quarterly lockdown was moved up to begin at 2100. Staff are still conducting searches of the facility grounds, but have not found any suspected drone drops at this time.	Entire Facility
9/12/2018	Deep Meadow CC	Staff spotted a drone hovering over housing unit one (1) to housing unit six (6), to the sally port, and then exiting the facility on to Pleasant Rd. A search was conducted in the area of the drone's flight path. No contraband was found.	Housing Units

9/18/2018	Bland CC	Staff spotted two (2) drones flying about a mile away from the facility. Movement from the drones stopped, one (1) traveling east and the other traveling west. The facility was searched and no contraband was found.	Seen from facility
9/19/2018	Bland CC	Officers observed three (3) drones flying near the facility. A search of the grounds was conducted, no contraband was found.	Near facility
9/26/2018	Buckingham CC	The facility reported that a staff member observed what appeared to be a drone flying over the recreation yard and proceeding towards the mailroom, finally disappearing into the tree line. The areas along the drone's flight path were searched; however, no contraband was found.	Recreation Yard, Mailroom
10/19/2018	Dillwyn CC	The facility reported that a drone was observed flying near it services building. All movement in the area was suspended as the area was searched. No contraband was found in the area.	Services Building
11/16/2018	Bland CC	Yard staff reported a sighting of a drone on the backside of the institution flying approximately 100 ft. in the air. Drone reportedly coming from the firing range area and flew towards building grounds outside shops. The drone suddenly stopped near the farm/auto shop, turned off its lights, then flew upwards out of eyesight and flew away. Staff conducted a security check near the areas of the sightings, nothing found. The drone did not fly over the inside perimeter of the institution. No injuries to report.	Firing range, B&G shops
12/23/2018	Deep Meadow CC	Staff observed a drone silver or white in color flying back towards Powhatan RCC	Toward Powhatan RCC
12/23/2018	Powhatan RCC	Staff observed a sliver color drone flying over the VCE shop. A perimeter check was conducted and no contraband was found.	VCE Shop
12/23/2018	Deep Meadow CC	A large black drone was observed hovering over the facility and flying toward Powhatan RCC where it hovered again for several minutes. A search of the area was conducted, no contraband was found.	Facility

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1/6/2019	Green Rock CC	Low flying aircraft on the South West side of the compound behind C and D building. The aircraft flew back and forth a few times then flew toward the North side of the compound coming close to the perimeter. When next seen, the aircraft was on the East side of the compound near the parking lot near the perimeter. The aircraft appeared to be an unmanned aerial vehicle. The vehicle then circled and then flew away toward South East and out of sight.	Various area of facility and in parking lot near perimeter

1/13/2019	St. Brides CC	Rover patrol observed a drone flying near the main road on the left side of pond near front entry. Sighting was reported to supervisor. Drone was seen hovering for ten minutes and then flew away. Security check conducted on perimeter by supervisor. No other incident to report	Front Entry
1/25/2019	Bland CC	Security staff reported to supervisor while exiting the dining hall, a drone was flying above the three (3) trailers inside the perimeter at 10:45 PM. No movement of offenders at the time. Drone was seen flying east of the facility exiting secured perimeter. Security conducted a perimeter inside and outside check with no other incident to report.	Facility
4/3/2019	Sussex II SP	Officers reported seeing two (2) drones flying near the facility. Offender movement was suspended and a search of the affected area was conducted. No contraband has been found at this time.	Facility
4/7/2019	St. Brides CC	The facility reported that a drone was spotted by its perimeter patrol vehicle flying over master control and the recreation yard. Offenders were on the recreation yard at the time of the incident. Therefore, the offenders were secured on the recreation yard and a search of each of offender was conducted prior to them exiting. After the recreation yard was cleared of offenders, a search of the recreation yard was conducted; however, nothing was found. Areas adjacent to the recreation yard were also searched and no contraband was found.	Recreation Yard
5/21/2019	State Farm CC	A drone was spotted flying over the facility. A perimeter search was conducted, and no contraband was discovered. The drone is no longer in sight.	Facility
5/25/2019	Buckingham CC	An Officer from Tower 4 spotted a drone flying over Building(s) J, A and B and the parking lot and. Pod rec was ended and the offenders were moved back into the facility. The perimeter around the facility was searched with no findings.	Building(s) J, A and B and the parking lot
6/18/2019	State Farm CC	Security staff observed a drone flying behind zone 10 and then flying over the facility. Staff conducted a grind search of the facility grounds. No contraband was found	Facility
6/26/2019	State Farm CC	Staff notified the watch office that there was a drone sighting over Building 3, heading towards the right side of the facility. A perimeter check was conducted of the outside rec yards and perimeter. At 11:45 PM, staff saw two (2) drones flying over the front entry area near zone 1, heading towards the trees. Another perimeter check was conducted and no contraband was found.	Building 3, Front Entry
6/30/2019	Haynesville CC	Facility reported while staff was coming from lunch break a drone was spotted flying over the parking lot area. Supervisors were notified and conducted rounds outside. Shortly after the drone was seen flying towards Unit #17. Local police was informed of the drone. Outside perimeter check conducted, all cleared.	Parking Lot

7/3/2019	State Farm CC	Facility staff spotted what was believed to have been a drone flying over the rear of the facility. A search of the yard area was conducted, and no contraband was found. The suspected drone is no longer in sight.	Rear of Facility
8/1/2019	Haynesville CC	Facility reported two (2) drones flying above compound. One (1) drone flew across the compound while the other flew on the outside of the compound. Local police was notified; perimeter and yard check was conducted.	Facility
8/10/2019	State Farm CC	Security staff was returning from break near housing unit two and observed a drone flying by the mental health building headed towards the sally port. A supervisor was notified and roving patrol then obtained view of the drone flying towards front entry. Inner and outer perimeter check was conducted, nothing was found.	Sally port, Front entry
8/25/2019	Buckingham CC	Security staff exited state property, drove down Goldmine Rd, and found a drone sitting on the side of the road with a package attached to it. The shift commander told the officers to leave it alone, and they called the Virginia State Police (VSP) to collect the items. The items were collected, and the VSP opened the package. Inside the package was marijuana with a street value of \$500, one (1) eight ball of cocaine, one (1) cell phone, three (3) SIM cards, and one (1) handcuff key. The drone has a serial number, and the VSP are going to try to research about ownership. The VSP has possession of the items.	Roadside near facility
8/30/2019	Green Rock CC	An officer spotted what appeared to be two drones flying over the west side of the facility near the sally port. Checks of the yard and both the inner and outer perimeters were conducted, and no contraband was discovered.	Sally port
9/2/2019	Haynesville CC	Roving patrol spotted what appeared to be a drone flying near the tree line next to the facility. A fence check was conducted, and no contraband was discovered. The suspected drone is no longer in sight.	Tree Line
9/10/2019	Dillwyn CC	Roving patrol sighted a drone flying over the recreation yard of buildings 4 and 5. Security staff searched the rec yard with no findings. The facility is on modified movement until they can do another search in day light.	Recreation Yard, Buildings 4 & 5